



CROP WEATHER

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Agricultural Summary: Most areas of the State received scattered showers over the week, with amounts varying widely and some areas experiencing severe weather and hail. Producers averaged 2.3 days suitable for fieldwork last week. Spring planting continues to be the major activity. Topsoil moisture was rated 9 percent very short, 18 percent short, 57 percent adequate, and 16 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture was rated 19 percent very short, 31 percent short, 48 percent adequate, and 2 percent surplus.

Field Crop Report: Ninety-nine percent of the **wheat** has jointed, compared to 98 percent last year and 92 percent for the 5-year average. Seventy-two percent of the wheat has headed, compared to 32 percent last year and 38 percent for the 5-year average. Wheat condition was rated 15 percent very poor, 24 percent poor, 38 percent fair, 22 percent good, and 1 percent excellent. Insect reports indicated 67 percent with no infestation, 25 percent with light infestation, 7 percent with moderate infestation, and 1 percent with severe infestation. Disease reports indicated 62 percent of the wheat showed no presence, 26 percent with light presence, 8 percent with moderate presence, and 4 percent with severe presence. Wheat streak mosaic presence continues to be reported in portions of the State. Eighty-one percent of the **corn** has been planted, four points ahead of last year and six points ahead of the 5-year average. Forty-seven percent of the corn has emerged, compared to 34 percent last year and 36 percent for the 5-year average. Seven percent of the **sorghum** has been planted, two points ahead of last year but one point behind the 5-year average. Seven percent of the **soybeans** have been planted, compared to 16 percent last year and 14 percent for the 5-year average. Two percent of the **cotton** has been planted, one point behind last year but the same as the 5-year average. Two percent of the first cutting of **alfalfa** has been harvested. Ninety-seven percent of **oats** have been planted, four points ahead of last year but one point behind the 5-year average.

Pasture and Range Report: Range and pasture conditions were rated 10 percent very poor, 18 percent poor, 39 percent fair, 30 percent good, and 3 percent excellent. Some cattle are still being moved to grass as conditions allow. Feed grain supplies were rated 1 percent very short, 6 percent short, 92 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus. Hay and forage supplies were rated 4 percent very short, 20 percent short, 74 percent adequate, and 2 percent surplus. Stock water supplies were rated 11 percent very short, 22 percent short, 66 percent adequate, and 1 percent surplus.

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CROP CONDITIONS FOR WEEK ENDING 05/07/06

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Wheat					
05/07/06	15	24	38	22	1
04/30/06	14	23	37	23	3
05/08/05	1	7	28	50	14
Range & Pasture	10	18	39	30	3

CROP PROGRESS BY AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS DISTRICT AS OF 05/07/06

	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	STATE	LAST WEEK	LAST YEAR	5-YR AVG.
Wheat Joint	99	100	99	100	100	99	100	100	100	99	98	98	92
Wheat Headed	20	38	67	77	88	98	9	55	93	72	48	32	38
Corn Planted	68	60	65	81	89	93	91	82	94	81	68	77	75
Corn Emerged	14	15	17	52	62	70	65	55	76	47	32	34	36

DAYS SUITABLE AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITIONS FOR WEEK ENDING 05/07/06

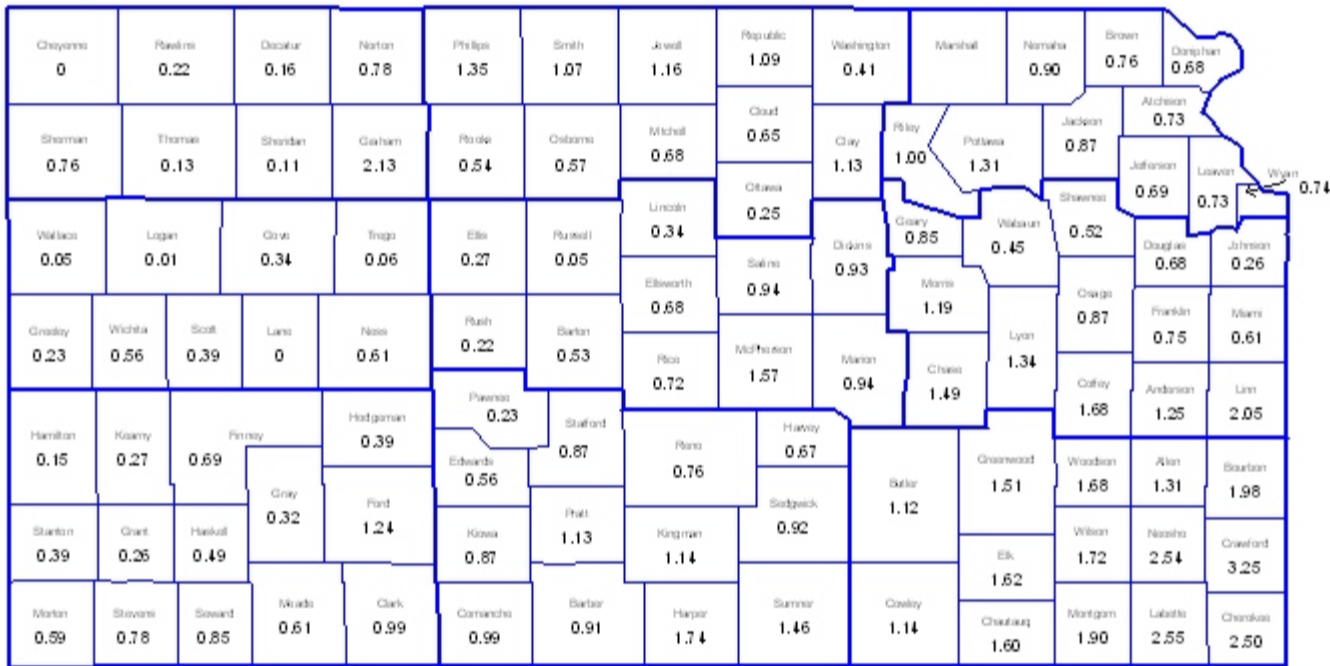
	NW	WC	SW	NC	C	SC	NE	EC	SE	STATE	LAST WEEK	LAST YEAR
Days Suitable for Fieldwork	5.3	4.3	5.0	2.6	1.7	2.5	0.6	0.9	1.1	2.3	4.0	6.0
Topsoil Moisture (Percent)												
Very Short	18	35	46	3	5	4	0	0	0	9	15	5
Short	39	45	40	22	25	27	0	0	0	18	25	40
Adequate	43	20	14	75	61	57	66	90	49	57	52	54
Surplus	0	0	0	0	9	12	34	10	51	16	8	1
Subsoil Moisture (Percent)												
Very Short	28	66	46	26	32	16	2	0	2	19	24	3
Short	60	31	39	49	30	58	8	9	13	31	37	34
Adequate	12	3	15	25	38	26	90	91	68	48	39	63
Surplus	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	2	0	0

TEMP. AND PRECIP. DATA, SELECTED SITES, FOR WEEK ENDING 05/07/06

Station		Temperature					Precip	Station		Temperature					Precip
		Air		Soil 4"						Air		Soil 4"			
Dist	City	Max	Min	Avg	Max	Min		Dist	City	Max	Min	Avg	Max	Min	
NW	Colby	85	42	55	72	51	0.08	SC	Hesston	79	45	56	74	53	0.35
WC	Tribune	85	40	55	69	53	0.01	NE	Powhatt	79	42	56	68	56	0.22
SW	Grdn Cty	83	43	55	81	52	0.52	NE	Manhat	80	43	56	68	54	0.96
NC	Scandia	80	39	54	68	49	1.08	EC	Ottawa	78	43	58	69	55	0.52
C	Hays	83	45	56	74	51	0.40	EC	Slvr Lk	79	45	57	68	58	0.37
SC	Hutch	80	44	57	74	68	0.97	EC	Rossvl	79	44	57	68	58	0.27
SC	St John	80	45	57	74	68	0.68	SE	Parsons	82	49	61	74	58	2.44

Data collected by Automated Stations (above) may differ from official stations (below). Automated stations report through midnight on Sunday. Official reporting station data are through 8:00 a.m. Sunday. The map data are collected by individuals (one or more per county).

PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDING MAY 7, 2006



Omission of an entry indicates report not received.